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SALISBURY'S PROPOSAL

It is Understood British Premier's Announcement Will Be Approved by the Powers.

Greece Wants to Administer Crete Similarly to Austria's Management of Bosnia.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The next move in the Cretan game is anxiously awaited. According to news from the continent, the Marquis of Salisbury's proposals for the settlement of the difficulties is not yet formally endorsed by the powers, but it is believed there is no doubt that it will be approved, or the British Premier would not have made the public announcement on the subject which he did in the House of Lords on Thurday last, by reading telegraphic instructions sent to the ambassadors of Great Britain at the courts of the great powers, and outlining the government's policy toward Crete. This announcement was promptly followed by the issue of a semi-official note from St. Petersburg. It began by saying that Russia, through her minister at Athens, had called upon Greece to withdraw all her troops and her fleet from Crete within three days, and was accompanied by a long statement of the motives actuating Russia—namely, that to prevent an extension of the revolution to other portions of the Turkish empire, imperilling the peace of Europe, a stop must be put to Greece's action, which was stared as opposed to international law. The semi-official statement continues: "Before negotiations for a future Cretan constitution can be entered upon Russia, it is believed, will be asked to restore order in Crete. After the Greek evacuation Russia will then, under protection of the powers, instal an autonomy government under the suzerainty of the Sultan. In this policy Russia is supported by France, Germany and Austria." It was observed throughout the statement that neither Great Britain nor Italy were mentioned, but Greece was warned that should she "in blind misconception of her own interests allow herself to be excited by self-seeking friends to persist in her present attitude under the false idea that the powers are not united, because at the outset one or another has not concurred in Russia's proposals, Russia is resolved to take reprisals, the first step being a blockade of the Pireus."

Finally, according to this semi-official statement from St. Petersburg, the powers consider the annexation of Crete by Greece to be out of the question, adding: "And in the consciousness of their absolute support Russia will be in the position to prevent the Cretan question from imperilling the peace of Europe, even should any individual power refuse to accede to the proposed measures."

This apparently defiant announcement from the Russian capital created a sensation, but the statements therein contained are not confirmed from Athens, so it is assumed the statement embodied Russia's views and not what has actually occurred.

Active communications are still proceeding between the different European cabinets. The Marquis of Salisbury presided to-day at a special meeting of the cabinet at the foreign office. Whether the solution of the imbroglio is peaceful or not depends entirely upon Greece and the dispatches from Athens indicate the feeling of resistance to the powers is strong among people throughout Greece, and a declaration of war with Turkey would be received with enthusiasm.

It is reported to-day that the King, recognizing that he cannot possibly long resist the will of Europe, and feeling it impossible to appease the people himself, will abdicate in favor of the Crown Prince, Prince Constantine, the Duke of Sparta, husband of Princess Sophia of Prussia, sister of Emperor William of Germany.

The latest Greek proposal is said to be that Greece should administer Crete as Austria administers Bosnia. But it seems to be agreed on all sides that peace can only be maintained by leaving Crete as a part of the Turkish empire. The Marquis of Salisbury's proposals have been received with favor not only by the British, but by most of continental newspapers. However, in the meanwhile military preparations are proceeding apace in Turkey and Greece. While everything is prepared in South Russia for the transport of a big Russian army to the Balkans whenever this step is deemed necessary. Telegrams from Vienna also declare that Emperor Francis Joseph has had repeated conferences with the Austrian minister for war, and plans for the mobilization of the Austrian forces on the Balkan frontier have been drawn up and horses are already being purchased for military uses. According to advices from the small Balkan states war preparations are proceeding there secretly, and in short all the parties concerned are quite prepared for an explosion at any moment.

CANEA, Feb. 27.—In a conflict between Christians and Mussulmans at Vrisin, near Rethino, yesterday, the Mussulmans were forced to retreat with a loss of two men killed and eighteen wounded.

VIENNA, Feb. 27.—The following semi-official announcement was made here this afternoon: "The negotiations relative to the form of note to be presented to Greece demanding the evacuation of Crete continues. The cabinets of Austria Germany and Russia, especially the latter, are pressing for immediate and drastic measures, such as would immediately end a state of affairs which is daily becoming more dangerous, and compel Greece to submit without delay or take the consequences, which will be an effective blockade of the Pirieus."

The other powers while acting in unison with the three empires desire greater moderation in the expression of views, and equally desirous of the prompt carrying out of the policy of the concert, are anxious to give Greece a chance to submit before being compelled to do so by force. It is hoped that the powers will agree to the exact terms of the note to Greece within a few days."

PARIS, Feb. 27.—The following semi-official statement was issued this evening: "All the powers have instructed their representatives at Constantinople and at Canea to agree to the terms of the note to be sent to the governments based on Russia's and the Marquis of Salisbury's proposals."

ROME, Feb. 27.—Concerning Great Britain's attitude towards Crete, ex-Prime Minister Crispi said: "It was due to Great Britain that Garibaldi, in 1860, was not hindered in landing in Sicily. To-day the case is identical. If the powers intervene it ought to be for the liberation of oppressed nations and never to maintain a state of barbarism, living on incendiarism and assassination."

ATHENS, Feb. 27.—The legislative chamber did not sit to-day. The opposition convoked a plenary meeting at which it was decided to address a protest to the King declaring that in face of this parliamentary strike the crown had the right of acting in order to impose respect for the constitution. The protest was presented to the King this evening. A decree has been promulgated calling out 21st and 22nd classes of the reserve owing to the mobilization of the Turks.

SALONICA, Feb. 27.—Orders have been received to hasten the departure to the Greek frontier of the 72 battalions of Redifs now en route from Asia Minor, ten trains being used to convey them. Two battalions were dispatched yesterday to Katerina and 18 Krupp guns today to Veria.

CANEA, Feb. 27.—The Jews, who so far have remained in their homes, are now fleeing in large numbers. Armed Mussulmans continue to parade the streets. Martial law is urgently needed.

CANADA WILL STRIKE BACK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Prof. Goldwin Smith, of Toronto, who is at the Fifth Avenue hotel, had something to say today about Congressman Corliss' clause in the immigration bill. This clause prohibits aliens from residing in Canada and doing business daily in this country.

"It prevents those Canadians," added the professor, "who reside in Fort Erie, opposite Detroit, and those small towns opposite Buffalo and Niagara Falls from coming over daily and working. It is not only absurd law, if it becomes a law, but it is the veriest claptrap imaginable."

"What will Canada do if the bill becomes law?"

"Canada will pass retaliatory measures, of course, and much irritation and ill-feeling will be engendered. Already there is much feeling on the subject, and Canadians who are anti-United States are not slow in expressing their opinions and making the best of the situation. What must the friends of this country and Canada think if such a bill becomes a law?

"I am not attacking the bill generally, but the clause Congressman Corliss had inserted. It is unjust discrimination against a friendly and a neighboring nation and is inspired by politics alone. I hope the newspapers in this country will point out the absurdity of such a clause and prevent if possible its enactment."

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Hon. Mr. Greenway was called upon this morning by a deputation consisting of W.J. Gage, of Toronto, and Drs. Chown, Jones and Montgomery, who requested the Premier to consider the advisability of establishing a home for consumptives in this province. Mr. Gage, who has already established such a home in Muskoka, is desirous of establishing similar homes in Manitoba, the Territories and British Columbia.

The Hudson's Bay Co. to-day sent to Mr. J. H. Ashdown, chairman of the local committee, a check for $1,000, as their contribution to the fund for the relief of the distress in India.

The bill to amend the Manitoba Public Schools Act was introduced in the legislature to-day by Attorney-General Cameron. It embodies the provisions of the schools settlement arrived at last November between the Manitoba and Dominion governments. It is the intention of the government to keep this bill separate from any other amendments to the Public School act.

"The Mines act" was another measure introduced to-day. This bill is drawn very much on the same lines as the Ontario act.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 26.—The public accounts were laid on the table in the legislature this afternoon by Hon. Col. McMillan, provincial treasurer. The total receipts on consolidated revenue for the year amounted to $665,358.41, and the receipts on accounts, $424,882.90, a total, including cash on hand, of $1,666,074.16. The total expenditure for the year was $973,912.89, less $209,554.76, items on public accounts. The budget speech is expected on Monday.

The Indian famine relief fund contributions acknowledged to date by Lieut.-Governor Patterson amount to $10,000.45; in addition to this the school children's contribution aggregates $911.54.

R. M. Chester, a Winnipeg seed merchant, has been missing since Wednesday last. When last seen he complained of being ill. He came here from Toronto.

A special train, bearing 140 Galacian immigrants from the steamship Labrador, arrived in this city this morning.

In the house to-day the new Manitoba mining law was explained by Attorney-General Cameron and passed through several clauses.

Mr. E. G. Conklin, clerk of the house, fell on the slippery walk this morning and broke his shoulder bone. He will be laid up for the present session of the legislature.

GREECE WILL BE FIRM.

Premier Delyannis Says His Country Will Not Declare War Against Turkey.

But She Means at All Hazards to Maintain Troops in Crete.

CANDIA, Crete, Feb. 26.—The Turks, having been furnished with arms by the government, have made a sortie for the purpose of occupying strategic points around Candia. They attacked and inflicted a severe loss upon the Christians. The commanders of vessels anchored in the harbor protested to the governor against what they claimed was a violation of armestice.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says: "Prime Minister Delyannis, in an interview Thursday, assured me that the decision of the government to maintain the army in Crete was irrevocable. On the other hand Greece had no intention of declaring war against Turkey. Such a step would only be taken if the Turks invaded Thessellia or the great powers rendered the position of the Greek army in Crete intolerable. There was no intention of invading Macedonia. Greece was not desirous of embroiling Europe in a general war. No understanding exists between Greece and Bulgaria in regard to Macedonia. The Athens correspondent of the Times says "The calmness and moderation of Premier Delyannis impressed me most favorably. He is evidently averse to desperate measures. I do not believe that in the end he would reject any solution which Greece could honorably accept, but neither he nor the King could restrain the wild excitement of the populace. Nothing could be more unwise than for the powers to drive the Greeks to exasperation."

A dispatch to the Standard from Athens says the long visit of the British minister to the King to-day (Friday) revives the rumor that England favors the Greek claims in Crete. Two more classes of reserves were called out to-night. The Crown Prince Constantine and Duke of Sparta will shortly start for the frontier. There is feverish activity in the department of the minister of war. Thousands of volunteers are offering their services to the government. The Red Cross hospital ship started for Crete to-night.

A dispatch to the Standard from Constantinople says: "The expenses of mobilizing are being largely met by cash payments procured by appropriations of capital obtained from the agricultural banks. The Porte has demanded the immediate recall of the Greek consul, Fiasona, who is suspected of informing Greece of the movements of Turkish troops."

AUTONOMY OF CRETE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The Herald's London correspondent cables: "A collective note will be prepared in London and Berlin to-day, to be forwarded to the government of Greece. The note will announce the autonomy of Crete and demand the withdrawal of Greek troops from the island, and the abandonment of the plans which Greece has made for the mobilization of her army. The Porte will likewise be requested to cease warlike preparations. Three foreign warships have taken up positions off Platania and are watching the movements of the Greek troops under Colonel Vaseos.

ATHENS, Feb. 26.—The collective note was still undelivered to-day. Only the Austrian, German and Russian ministers have received instructions. It is rumored that one power has withdrawn from the concert.

DESPOILED BY A SPY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—During the absence of Senor Jose Acuma, Spanish vice-consul in this city and his wife on Monday night their handsome apartments on West 89th street were robbed of $3,000 in cash and jewelry valued at $17,000. Many valuable papers, including some of vast importance to the Spanish government, were also taken.

Senor Acuma is satisfied that the robbery was committed by a man calling himself Jachim Blas, who pretended to be a Mexican and a sufferer from Cuban outrages. He was employed as private secretary by Senor Acuma and became a member of his household. He disappeared the night of the robbery, having been left in charge of the apartments. The police believe Blas is a notorious adventurer. Senor Acuma believes he is a Cuban spy and that the acquisition of the papers and state secrets was the real purpose of the robbery.

HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 27.—The championship hockey match here to-night between the Winnipeg and Victoria teams, of this city, was won by the Victorias by 4 to 8. It was a great game. The result again makes the Victorias champions of Manitoba, and they will play the Montreal Victorias for the championship of Canada next year.

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—Emperor William, at the banquet of Badenburg provincial diet, made a long speech, dwelling upon the necessity of fighting the forces of subversion which are seeking to undermine the foundation of the nation.

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ALASKA BOUNDARY.

Public Opinion at Ottawa Opposed to Using Mount St. Elias as a Base.

Dominion Cabinet Busy Discussing the Programme for the Coming Session.

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—(Special)—At a meeting of the French-Canadian Conservatives held here last night, Sir Charles Tupper hinted that the opposition would devote considerable time next session to the discussion of the wholesale dismissals from the public service. On the school question, speaking for himself, he declared if it could be shown the minority were not satisfied with the settlement, and came knocking again for relief, he would do as he had done previous to the 30th June, his opinion having undergone no change.

Premier Haultain, of the Northwest Territories, is here. He wants the Territories act changed to permit of the formation of an executive council instead of the executive committee appointed by the legislature; he says the Territories are not yet ready for provincial autonomy. A convention of the Liberal Conservatives of the Northwest Territories will be held at Regina on Saturday, March 6, to form a general Liberal Conservative association.

The secretary of the Dominion Rifle Association has officially announced that in all competitions at Bisley, counting the grand aggregate, the Lee-Metford or Lee-Enfield will alone be used this year. This shows the necessity of Canadian marksmen familiarizing themselves with the new rifles.

Mayor Bingham to-day entertained over 300 city ladies at luncheon. Madame Laurier and the wives of several members of the cabinet were present. No men were allowed in the room.

Premier Laurier was asked to-night for information about Fitzpatrick's visit to Rome, but had nothing to say.

The writ for Bonaventure has been issued, nomination day being fixed for March 6 and polling one week later.

Quebec cases only were taken up in the Supreme court to-day.

Hon. Mr. Blair is acting minister of militia.

OTTAWA, Feb. 26.—(Special)—Dr. Milne, of Victoria, has not yet given up the fight for an independent luncheon from the Coast to the Territories, through Crow's Nest Pass, but the chances are against the Canadian Pacific securing the plum. It is reported to-night that Hon. Mr. Blair has withdrawn his opposition to the C. P. R. on the condition that the company waives the clause in its charter which forbids government interference with the company's freight rates until the road is earning 10 per cent on the capital invested.

Hon. J. T. Prendergast, the late member for St. Boniface, has his reward, having been appointed county court judge in Manitoba for his support of the school settlement. He will act as junior judge in the Winnipeg county court district.

Hon. Mr. Bronson, of the Ontario government, is seriously ill here, and not expected to recover.

Lieut. Paul Weatherbee, of Halifax, a graduate of the Royal Military College, has been appointed architect of the militia department.

It now transpires that the Canadian Pacific asked a bonus of $10,000 per mile to build a line from Lethbridge to Nelson, a distance of 300 miles, and have it in operation by next January.

Lieut.-Col. Herchmer, commissioner of the Northwest mounted police, who is at present in this city, received a telegram to-day stating that Deerfoot, the world-renowned Indian runner, died yesterday at Calgary. He had been imprisoned in the police barracks for assaulting another Indian and his wife.

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Contrary to expectations, the Crow's Nest Pass railway matter was not reached in council to-day, the report of the subcommittee not being quite ready.

A great sensation has been created by the Toronto World's publication of an alleged deal between the directors of the Globe and the Canadian Pacific. The World says through the aid of Messrs. Cox and Jaffray the Canadian Pacific has secured for $5,000 an option on the charter of the B. C. Southern. It is well known here also, and the Globe admitted it, that Messrs. Cox, Jaffray and Edgar have secured an interest in coal lands in the Crow's Nest.

Changes in the Fifth Regiment first battalion are: To be adjutant, Captain Monson Goudge Blanchard; to be captain, Lieutenant William Alexander Jamieson, vice Blanchard; to be second lieutenants provisionally, Robt. Dunsmuir and Robt. Henry Pooley; second battalion, to be lieutenant, Second Lieutenant James Duff Stuart.

Sir Charles Tupper has consented to Hugh John Macdonald leading the Manitoba local opposition.

There is much growling here over the clause of the Alaskan boundary treaty allowing the summit of St. Elias to be taken as the starting point for running the 141st meridian. If the Canadian government permits this to pass it will be surrendering to the United States a strip of land 2½ miles wide at the base and running north 29 miles gradually narrowing until it strikes the true meridian.

The exports fell off nearly $2,000,000 during February.

Application has been made to incorporate a company to build a toll bridge across the Columbia river between Robson and Waneta. Notice is also given for a charter to build a railway from the head of Lynn canal to Fort Selkirk.

The sessional programme was under discussion by the cabinet to-day.

KIPPEN, Ont., Feb. 27. — John McMurtrie, a farmer, was killed near here to-day while felling trees.

FALLING FAST.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 26.—What seems unprecedented in the Ohio river floods is its persistence at certain stages. It became stationary at 8 o'clock this morning at 16 feet 2 inches, and at 8 o'clock to-night was unchanged, having remained 13 hours in that stage. At present the condition of people driven from home by the flood is pitiable, and with the mercury at 25 and steadily falling their suffering increases. Beginning up the river, the village of California is flooded. Its houses look like so many islands rising from out of a sea. From Fort Thomas a good view of this flood can be had, and it looks appalling in the extreme with farms flooded and farm houses peering above the water. This condition exists along the whole river front of Covington, while at West Covington a number of families are driven from their homes. Water covers the great dam at the Ludlow lagoon and the surface of the lake and that of the river are united. At the western extremity of the city there is an unbroken scene of desolation and distress, homes vacated and shops and factories silent. All points above here report the river falling fast.

CHEVALIER DROLET.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—(Special)—According to an announcement made this afternoon by Chevalier Mgr. Drolet, who has just returned from a visit to Rome, where he went at the instance of the Laurier government, the Pope has appointed a commission of cardinals to investigate the charges against the Canadian clergy of improper interference in the recent elections. The charges were preferred in detail by Chevalier Drolet, and are directed against six Canadian bishops and archbishops and a large number of priests. They recite instances where sacraments of the church were refused to Liberals and intimidation exercised by means of threats of excommunication all in the interest of the Conservative party. On the completion of the investigation it is understood the Pope will name a permanent delegate to Canada. Chevalier Drolet declares that representatives of the Quebec bishops visited Rome and among other things spread the report that Premier Laurier was a "Freemason of the worst kind," declaring that it would be a meritorious act to combat him with every means at the church's command.

PRAISE FOR FLYNN.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—(Special)—The C.P.R. gross earnings for January were $1,312,924; working expenses, $939,581; net profits, 373,343. In January, 1896, the net returns were $195,960; decrease net profits $122,607 over January last year.

T. S. Pierre, who recently wrote a series of letters to the Herald advocating educational reform in this province, and who also has been doing editorial work for the Herald, announces his intention of voting for the present government, declaring Flynn to be the first premier in Quebec who has had courage enough to grapple with the question of education.

The Conservatives of Jacques Cartier county to-day nominated Edmund Gohier, St. Laurent, for the legislature in the coming election.

VENEZUELA BOUNDARY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Venezuelan boundary commission to-day submitted its report to the President, and thus terminated the work which has engaged the attention of its members for many months. By appointment the entire commission called at the White House at noon to-day. The results of their labors which, while not as conclusive as expected at the beginning of the work, will be of great value to the arbitrators who will eventually settle the boundary dispute. Considering the extent of the ground covered the report is very short. It has not yet been decided whether or not the report will be made public, but it seems probable that in the end it will be transmitted to congress, not as a matter of right, but for information.

KLEPTOMANIA.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Truth says the release of Mrs. Walter M. Castle has been followed by an alarming increase of kleptomania in the west end of London. One of the leading storekeepers states that he has been obliged to take the law into his own hands, recognizing the futility of legal proceedings, and in view of the fact that the disgrace of arrest, etc., falls upon the innocent members of families. This storekeeper says he watched a well-to-do lady and caught her stealing several times. Finally, he took her he says, to his private office and offered her a choice of arrest or summary chastisement, then and there. She accepted the latter, and the proprietor left her with his sister, manageress of the store, who birched the lady until the latter howled for mercy and solemnly swore never to do it again.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Much attention has been attracted by the Russo-Japan treaty, published in the Official Messenger this week. It gives both Russia and Japan the right to station a large force in Corea to protect their settlements. The two parties agree to lend joint financial aid to Corea in case of necessity, and Russia reserves the right to construct a telegraph line from Seoul to the frontier. It is added that Corea retains full liberty in home and foreign affairs. Both Russia and Japan support the King, permanently assuring order. The British newspapers comment on the treaty and declare that it virtually substitutes Russia for China as the dominant power at Seoul.

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AN APPEAL TO THE POPE

Premier Laurier's Government Requests the Appointment of a Papal Delegate.

Antagonism of the Clergy the Excuse for the Liberal Request.

MONTREAL, Feb. 26.—There is no longer any doubt that the present Liberal government of Canada, which has been the object of continuous hostility on the part of the Roman Catholic hierarchy, has requested the Vatican to appoint a permanent papal delegate to this country.

Rumors to that effect have been persistent during the past few weeks and received confirmation to-day in a statement which appears in La Patrie, the personal organ of Hon. J. I. Tarte, Dominion minister of public works, and in an interview with Chevalier Drolet, who has just returned from Rome.

La Patrie makes the positive statement that Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick went to Rome under instructions from the Laurier government to represent to the Pope the necessity of there being in Canada a papal delegate with functions similar to the representative of the Pope in the United States. This declaration takes the form of an editorial utterance, and it has the weight of a personal statement on the part of the Minister of Public Works. La Patrie declares such action by the Holy See absolutely necessary on account of the active interference of the clergy in political affairs in Canada, especially their attitude toward the Liberal party in connection with the Manitoba school difficulty.

"We recognize," says Mr. Tarte's organ, "the incontestible right of the Episcopate to direct the consciences of men in religious matters, but none the less vigorously do we maintain the right of the state and of public men to absolute and complete sovereignity in their own domain. It is the doctrine of the churches, and the doctrine is not necessarily a dead letter nor a closed book. We see many of our bishops and clergy trespassing upon the legitimate territory of the state and menacing by their conduct the constitutional liberty of the citizens of this country."

The article concludes: "The sending of a papal delegate to Canada is probably the only means of preventing the crisis full of danger towards which we are drifting. The present situation cannot last longer without peril."

When seen this afternoon with reference to La Patrie's announcement, Chevalier Drolet, a Canadian, who was made a chevalier by the Pope for his services with the papal Zouaves in 1872, admitted its correctness. Chevalier Drolet has himself just returned from Rome, and will have a lengthy announcement in connection with the results of his visit in to-morrow's paper.

SPANIARDS ARE ANGRY.

HAVANA, Feb. 26. — Julio Sanguilly having been set at liberty spent the evening at his home with a large number of friends. Sanguilly leaves to-morrow on the Mascotte for Key West. It announced that the pardon of Sanquilly is due to the generosity of the Queen regent, who wished to give Cleveland and Olney this proof of her affection before they leave the offices which they now fill, for their efforts made to preserve peace and friendship between both countries, placing themselves resolutely in front of those who pretended to break the friendly relations between both nations.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—A dispatch to the Standard from Madrid says: "All opposition and independent papers display ill humor against the United States, and bitterly criticise all concessions made on the part of Spain, and especially the pardon of Sanguilly."

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The Cuban junta in this city is in receipt of a letter written on January 11 by General Rivero, who succeeded to the command of that part of the insurgent forces formerly under General Maceo.

A BRILLIANT SPECTACLE.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—Forty-five guests were received at a ball given in the Royal Palaceto-night. All were costumed in the redifs uniform of the style of 1797. In accordance with the regulations of that year the Kaiser led the castle guard past the Kaiserin while the band played the torch dances, which were performed at the marriage of Queen Loise. The spectacle was a most brilliant and impressive one.